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Stalin's Greatest Day Since Soviet Drive Began: Nearly All The

Pruth Now Well Behind The Russian Lines

RED ARMY ON CZECH FRONTIER AND 30 MILES INSIDE RUMANIA

BY OUR MILITARY COMMENTATOR

MARSHAL ZHUKOV'S FIRST UKRAINIAN ARMY HAS REACHED THE CZECHOSLOVAKIAN FRONTIER, AND FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE WAR OF NAZI CONQUEST BEGAN AN ENSLAVED NATION LISTENS HOPEFULLY TO THE LIBERATING ADVANCE OF ALLIED TROOPS.

This great news, announced in a Stalin Order last night, was followed rapidly by a second Order, stating that Marshal Koniev's Second Ukrainian Army has forced the River Pruth north of Jassy on a front of more than 100 miles.

Hundreds of guns in Moscow fired salvo after salvo to greet these new triumphs. The guns celebrated more than that—they heralded massive breakthroughs towards Central Europe which will have rapid and sensational effect on the whole Balkans war.

Before the Stalin Orders were broadcast, news from Moscow had stressed the approach of Gen. Malinovsky's army towards encircled Odessa, last big Russian city in German hands. It was emphasized that the Russians were all set for the final assault on the great Black Sea port.

When London was expecting little further news immediately of Russian progress, assuming that the lull for regrouping had been necessary, Stalin's greatest Orders of the Day came striking through the air. They were:

To Marshal Zhukov:
"Troops of the First Ukrainian Front, having inflicted a defeat on the enemy at the Carpathian foothills, have emerged at our State frontier with Czechoslovakia and Rumania on a front stretching up to 125 miles.

"Creating enemy, our troops occupied the town of Serech and over 30 other inhabited localities on Rumanian territory."

To Marshal Koniev:
"Troops of the Second Ukrainian Front, having forced the River Pruth north of the town of Jassy on a front stretching more than 110 miles, broke through the enemy defenses, occupied the towns of Bolotani and Juretska, and fought their way forward into more than 150 other inhabited localities."

These bold announcements of two of the greatest Soviet drives since the Red Army began its advance westwards from Stalin, grad 15 months ago, mean that the River Pruth has been crossed on a front totalling about 230 miles.

The whole of the vital river, practically right up to a point opposite Jassy, now lies behind the Russian lines; and still further west the Sereth river line has been reached on a stretch of 33 miles.

Marshal Zhukov's Stalin's deputy, and the greatest Red Army soldier in the field of operations, has obviously reached the frontier of Rumania, the farthest east province of Czechoslovakia. It was handed over by Hitler to Hungary after the Nazis had taken over Czechoslovakia.

It is almost certain that Koniev's army will reach the area including the northern side of the famous Pass of the Tatars, some 25 miles from the eastern tip of Czechoslovakia.

Further south, Marshal Koniev's army forced behind the Pruth on a vast 110 miles front, and reached points nearly 36 miles inside Rumania.

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U.S. Speculates On Invasion

'D' DAY WILL COST \$25,000 MILLIONS

From ROBERT VIVIAN, Reuter's Special Correspondent

THE coming invasion of Europe—"D" day—will be a 100,000,000 dollar (\$25,000,000,000) attack. That is the final assessment of Wall Street experts, who declare that the operations pending in Europe and the Pacific will dwarf all past combinations of sea, land, and air action in the amount of material involved.

They add that the U.S. alone is prepared to double this expenditure if such an outlay is necessary for Hitler's defeat.

During the past few days newspapers here have splashed stories, raised by the Census Bureau, that the invasion force will be 1,000,000 men.

"BEFORE YEAR IS OUT" Harold Hutchinson, B.U.P. staff correspondent, telegraphed last night from Washington:

The last conference before the opening of the next Anglo-American offensive in history. That is how the coming talks in England between Mr. Edward Stettinius, U.S. Under-Secretary of State, and Mr. Eden are regarded in Washington.

On the plans are already complete, and vast reserves of men and material and ships are in readiness here to pour in an overwhelming torrent into the fortress of Europe.

The United States believes that the powerful armies now ready to go into action with the British, and with the Russians on the other front, will achieve victory in Europe before the year is out.

After all negotiations, Gen. Charles G. Gaudin, a military adviser, called on Gen. de Gaulle and said that the British and the Chief had not yet made up his mind. He would give a definite reply tomorrow in regard to his appointment as Inspector-General of the French Army's plan of his present post as C-in-C.

Calvo Radio last night broadcast an otherwise unconfirmed report that Gaudin had resigned.

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U.S. HEAVIES RENEW ATTACK

Brunswick Air Plants Hit Again

BY OUR AIR CORRESPONDENT

MORE THAN 1,000 U.S. aircraft yesterday struck deep into the heart of Germany in the kind of weather they had long been waiting for—clear skies and good bombing visibility—and did still further damage to the already much-bombed aircraft factories at Brunswick.

It was the first time for over a fortnight that it had been possible to concentrate a major force over the Reich. Six hundred Forts and Liberators took part, escorted by up to 500 fighters.

The attack was, in reality, the opening of the battle to knock the Luftwaffe out of the sun.

For weeks, in cloud conditions, the Forts had sought in vain to bring the enemy fighters in open battle. Yesterday, with the Forts able to pick up vital targets, the Luftwaffe had no option.

Up they came in very strong force, and several air battles took place between them and the American fighter escorts all the way from the frontier to Brunswick and back again.

It was a shrewd device used by the Americans. In addition to shooting down numbers of the already weakened Luftwaffe, they were striking at the aircraft factories to prevent the enemy from replacing his losses.

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Czech Flag On Top Of Carpathians

Welcome To Soviet Warriors

THE flag of Czechoslovakia "has been hoisted on the top of the Carpathians," declared the Czechoslovak Government in London last night in a special broadcast announcement.

Referring to the Red Army's feat in reaching the Czechoslovak frontier as "news of historic importance," the announcement stated that General Sergei Iugov, the Czechoslovak Minister of Defence, yesterday read a proclamation to the Czechoslovak people, telling them of the event.

Czechoslovakia, which was the first victim of German-Nazi aggression, will be the first European state to which freedom has been brought by the Allied armies, it stated.

The Government believed that nothing will stop the victorious march.

Behind the victorious forces of the Red Army and the Czech army will come the organs of the Czech Government, to take over the administration of the Czechoslovak territory, according to Czech officials, it stated.

It will collaborate closely with the national committees which until their coming will together with the Soviet and Czech army commanders, ensure order and security on Czech territory."

It was reported in Czech circles in London last night that the Czech Government in London has been in touch with Czech officials in the mountains of Rumania awaiting the arrival of the Red Army.

Some Czech officials are said to already on their way to follow Soviet troops into their country.

Last Hun Will Soon Be Out Of Russia

The Russians will soon be established on their "state frontier," along its "state frontier," said Moscow Red last night.

The time is not far distant when the Red Army will fulfil its mission of completely driving the invader from all Russian land," the announcer declared.

"Our banners flying beyond the Pruth, demonstrate to the whole world our determination to bring freedom and liberation to our people," the announcer declared.

"Soviet forces are overtaking the enemy, splitting up his forces, and are destroying his men and equipment."

REDS PLAN BIG FINN PUSH

Stockholm, Saturday. A Russian offensive against Finland is being prepared, according to the Stockholm news agency Svenska Dagbladet, which says:

"Private information now coming from previous reports, that the Russians are concentrating troops in the Salla sector of the Finnish front, and that an offensive is being prepared."

In this connection it refers to the Russian drive-bomber attack on the German supply line at Ploesti, and suggests this might be part of the new offensive—B.U.P.

Moscow Hears More Guns Than Ever!

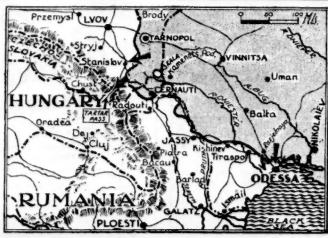
MOSCOW heard 12,246 cannon fired tonight in honor of the great victories on the Czech and Rumanian fronts.

These consisted of 24 salvos from 124 guns, and 20 salvos from 20 guns.

It was the biggest night's celebration in this manner yet.

Hungarian Leader Killed

Gen. Gellay, a Hungarian opposition leader connected with the "Free Hungary" movement, was killed on March 18 by a German plane, according to a Reuters cable from Zurich.



Nazis Threaten New Taxes To Avoid Inflation

Count Ludolf Scherwin Von Krosigk, German Finance Minister, declared last night that new taxation might be necessary to ward off a threat of inflation, save Rumania.

He urged them not to impel the advance of the mark by paying black market prices and disclosed that, since the war, monetary circulation in Rumania had increased 300 per cent.

"The excessive money has been converted into savings is bound to drive prices upward and may bring about the danger of inflation. We are determined to do everything humanly possible to eliminate this danger."

First Spitfire Fighter-Bombers Out

SPITFIRE fighter-bombers went over the Continent yesterday for the first time, adding a new chapter to the history of cross-Channel offensives.

Pilot of a R.C.A.F. squadron of the Second Tactical Air Force flew the Spitfire fighter-bombers and made diving attacks without escort on military objectives in Northern France.

They released the bombs when down to a few thousand feet, and afterwards flew in smoke columns rising to 1,000 feet as they

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